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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A RESOLUTION honoring the Taylor University women's volleyball team.

Whereas, The Taylor University women's volleyball team made history on October 21, 2008, when it became the first National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) volleyball program to record 1,000 all-time wins;

Whereas, This monumental victory came in a 25-15, 25-18, and 25-18 sweep over visiting Bluffton University in front of a packed Odle Arena;

Whereas, The Lady Trojans ended this season with a 24-6 record, 6-0 in the Mid-Central College Conference, and

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1,000-406-1 since the program's beginning in 1971;

Whereas, The Taylor volleyball program has a tradition of success, claiming four NAIA National Tournament appearances, one NAIA National Tournament Elite 8 finish, nine Mid-Central College Conference championships, a current streak of 21 straight winning seasons, 28 NAIA Scholar-Athletes, and 12 NAIA All-Americans, including three-time All-American Natalie Steele, the all-time NAIA kills leader with 3,602 kills in her career;

Whereas, Dr. Angie Fincannon, coach of the Lady Trojans from 1992-2004 and current athletic director, is responsible for nearly half of the program's wins, compiling a career record of 496-131 and qualifying four different teams for the NAIA National Tournament;

Whereas, Head coach Brittany Smith sees this milestone from a unique point of view as a former player and now a coach and feels that this accomplishment "is a tribute to the many women who have worn the Taylor volleyball jersey as they have left a legacy of giving God the glory through their hard work and passion for the game"; and

Whereas, The goal of the Taylor University Lady Trojans is to "become the best team we can be with the individual talent and collective desire of each player; Our outcome will always be to play to win for Him": Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
2 congratulates the Taylor University women's volleyball team on its
3 many accomplishments and wishes team members continued success
4 in the future.

5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of the
7 Lady Trojan volleyball team, coach Brittany Smith, athletic director Dr.
8 Angie Fincannon, and university president Dr. Eugene Habecker.

